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(~~SECRET~~) INDIA: FIRST LAUNCH OF A NEW SPACE VEHICLE  
(~~SECRET~~) INDIA ANNOUNCED IT INTENDS TO LAUNCH ITS FIRST AUGMENTED  
LAUNCH VEHICLE (ASLV) FROM THE SRILAKSHOTA SPACE LAUNCH  
SITE IN SOUTHERN INDIA BY 23 APR. THE ASLV IS INDIA'S SECOND  
GENERATION SPACE LAUNCH VEHICLE AND IS CAPABLE OF LIFTING A 150 KG  
PAYLOAD INTO LOW EARTH ORBIT. THIS IS A MAJOR IMPROVEMENT OVER  
FIRST GENERATION LIFT LIMITATION OF 35 KG.

(U) THE FOUR-STAGE ASLV IS A DERIVATIVE OF INDIA'S ONLY OTHER LAUNCH VEHICLE, THE SLV-3. IT CONSISTS OF THE CORE OF THE SLV-3 WITH TWO ADDITIONAL STRAP-ON SLV-3 FIRST STAGES.

(U) THE ASLV IS AN INTERIM STEP IN INDIA'S PLAN TO DEVELOP A LAUNCH VEHICLE CAPABLE OF PLACING A 1,000 KG PAYLOAD, SUCH AS A WEAPON SENSING SATELLITE, INTO A 1,000 KM POLAR ORBIT.

(U) ~~SECRET~~: THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS REQUESTED ADDITIONAL HAWAIIAN PORT CALLS FOR RESEARCH SHIP "OCEAN SURVEY". THE REQUESTED DATES ARE: HILO, 25 MAR-01 APR AND 29 APR-01 MAY; HONOLULU, 25 MAY-01 JUN. THE REASON GIVEN IS EXTENSION OF SHIP'S RESEARCH TO THE END OF MAY. THE RESEARCH SHIP PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED A CALL AT HONOLULU ON 03 MAR.

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